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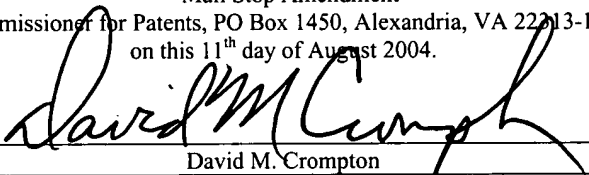
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Applicant: Satoshi Sugimoto et al. Confirmation No.: 2191
Serial No.: 10/811,289 Examiner: Unknown
Filing Date: March 25, 2004 Group Art Unit: 2837
Docket No.: 1018.1204101 Customer No.: 28075
For: TWO-STEP SWITCH DEVICE

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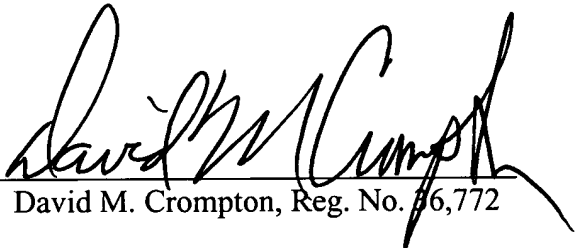
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[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established.

[XX] Other: Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 1 cited non-U.S. patent/publication reference.

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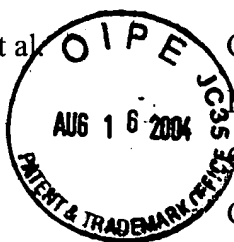
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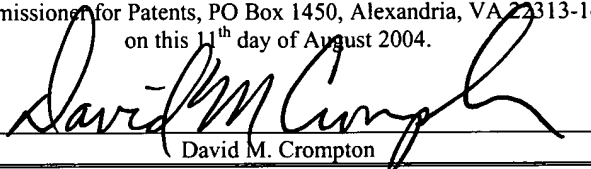
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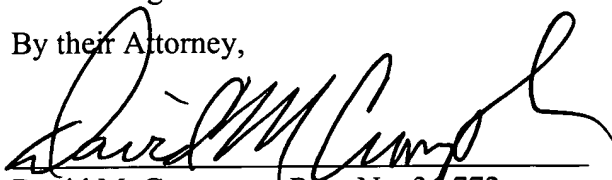
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each non-U.S. patent/publication document or other information listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 is provided.

No representation is intended to be made hereby that any of the cited references establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of any claim of the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

Satoshi Sugimoto et al.

By their Attorney,

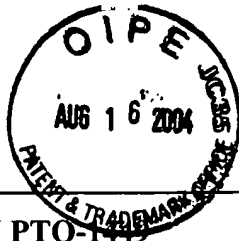


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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial	Document No.	Date	Name	Filing Date If Appropriate
AA	5,115,108	05/19/1992	Ogawa et al.	
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	Document No.	Date	Country	Translation Yes No
AC	EP 0 884 744 A2	12/16/1998	WIPO	Yes

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